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SUBJ: STATE VISITORS TO CHINA

1. ACCORDING TO STORIES ON THE PEKING DIPLOMATIC CIRCUIT, THE PRC APPEARS TO BE GEARING UP FOR A SERIES OF VISITS, NEARLY ALL OF THEM BY AFRICAN HEADS OF STATE. NYERERE OF TANZANIA IS REPORTED TO BE THE NEXT VISITOR AFTER BOUMEDIENE, PEKING'S CURRENT GUEST. SENGHOR OF SENEGAL IS SAID TO BE SCHEDULED FOR MAY, AND VISITORS FROM IVORY COAST, UPPER VOLTA AND NIGER ARE REPORTEDLY ALSO IN THE CARDS. DEPENDING ON PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR RECOGNITION, MALAYSIA'S TUN ABDUL RAZAK SHOULD ALSO ARRIVE THIS SPRING.

2. ONLY EUROPEAN VISITOR PRESENTLY PLANNING PRC VISIT IS AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, BUT BRITISH HERE POINT
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OUT THAT HEATH VISIT WAS ONLY POSTPONED AND COULD TAKE

PLACE DEPENDING ON OUTCOME OF UK ELECTIONS.

3. COMMENT: IF ALL OR MOST OF THESE REPORTS ARE ACCURATE
IT WOULD BE A SIGNIFICANT INDICATOR THAT CHINESE LEADERSHIP
FEELS CURRENT INTERNAL TENSIONS UNLIKELY TO GET OUT
OF HAND. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT FREQUENT HIGH LEVEL VISITS
MAY BE SEEN AS ONE MEANS OF ASSURING THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY THAT THIS IS THE CASE. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED
IN ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEE POSTS MAY PICK UP ON POSSIBLE
VISITS.

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